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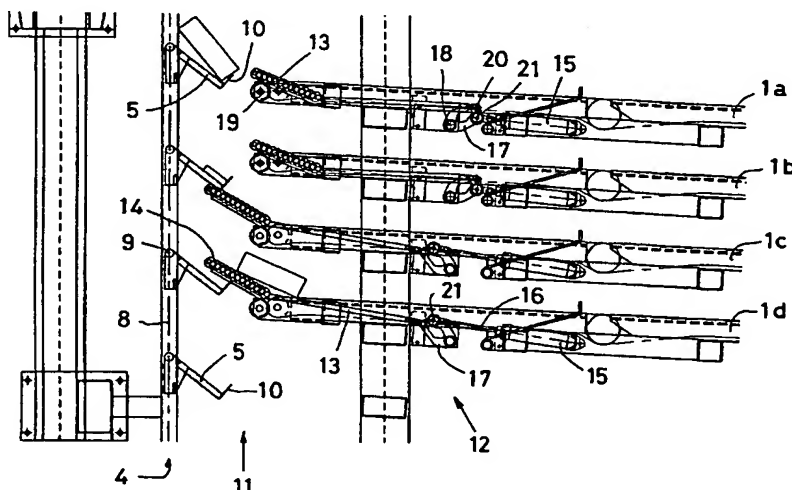
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(57) Abstract: An apparatus for sorting individual timber pieces of different dimensions and/or qualities into a number of mutually superposed sorting compartments (1) comprises a conveyor and a transfer device (12). The conveyor transports individual timber pieces in the vertical direction along the infeed ends of the sorting compartments (1). The longitudinal direction of the timber pieces is approximately horizontal and transversely directed in relation to the longitudinal direction of the sorting compartments (1). The transfer device (12) transfers a specific timber piece from the conveyor to a specific sorting compartment (1). The transfer device (12) has at least one transfer member (13) per sorting compartment (1). Each transfer member (13) is movable between a passive position outside the path (4) of the conveyor and an active position within the path (4) of the conveyor. The path (4) of the conveyor is substantially vertical and rectilinear and located a distance (11) from the infeed ends of the sorting compartments (1).

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